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MAMMALOGY.—A new name for Dipodomys ordii fuscus Setzer. HENRY W. SETZER, U. S. National Museum.

It has been called to my attention that the name *Dipodomys ordii fuscus* (Setzer, Univ. Kansas Publ. Mus. Nat. Hist. **1** (23): 555. Dec. 27, 1949) is preoccupied by the name *Dipodomys agilis fuscus* (Boulware, Univ. California Publ. Zool. **46** (7): 393. Sept. 16, 1943). I therefore propose the name *Dipodomys ordii durranti*, in recognition of Dr. Stephen David Durrant of the University of Utah, to replace the name *Dipodomys ordii fuscus*. I also wish to correct the spelling of the name of the type locality from Juamave to Jaumave, Tamaulipas, Mexico.

Obituary

ALBERT EUGENE MCPHERSON, a senior materials engineer in the National Bureau of Standards' engineering mechanics laboratory, died on August 5, 1952, at his home near Washington, D. C. Mr. McPherson had been a Bureau employee since 1926. His primary field of research was in the field of aircraft structures and materials. While at the Bureau Mr. McPherson was author of a large number of technical articles published by various technical societies, the National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics, and the National Bureau of Standards. He held patents on two types of accelerometers used in his work.

For many years the National Bureau of Standards has conducted an extensive research program in the field of aeronautics. The program extends from the development of temperature sensing devices for jet engines to the stress analysis of aircraft structures. Mr. McPherson was senior engineer in the Aircraft Structures Group which dealt primarily with the structural strength of basic aircraft components. This included research in the field of dynamic response of simple structures and development of instruments for measuring force acceleration and deformation.

Mr. McPherson was a member of the Washington Academy of Sciences, the Philosophical Society of Washington, the Institute of Aeronautical Sciences, and secretary of the Washington Chapter of the Society for Experimental Stress Analysis.

Mr. McPherson was born in Washington on January 27, 1908. He attended George Washington University and received his degree in mechanical engineering in 1933. He is survived by his wife, a daughter, and his father.